

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. T-824

### Condition

☐ excellent  
☒ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☒ altered

### Check one

☒ original site  
☐ moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Tom Faulkner house is the first house from the water on the west side of the Fairbank Road in the village of Fairbank on Tilghman Island, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story frame house faces east with the principal gable oriented on an east/west axis.

Built after the 1912 marriage of Tom Faulkner and his wife Blanche, the original weatherboard exterior for this side hall, double pile house is now covered in aluminum siding. The house is supported by brick piers, and the roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The east (main) facade of this three bay house is symmetrical although the northern bay is spaced more widely from the southern bays. A screened-in porch extends across the full width of the first floor which is supported by molded stone piers and square wooden columns with tapered sides. The sidelighted front door has a divided pane transom light, and acts as the house's northern bay. Two two-over-two sash windows with wide surrounds and peaked crown mouldings light the first floor. Three of these two-over-two sash windows light the second floor and a smaller two-over-two sash window with the same surround is inset into the attic story.

The south elevation of the Faulkner house reveals the original two bay depth of the house which is marked by two-over-two sash windows on the first and second floors. There is a later two-story, one bay addition to the rear of the house. A one-story, enclosed, shed roof porch addition is attached to this more recent portion of the house, and one two-over-two sash window marks the second-story above it. The open eave of the southern elevation has exposed rafter feet.

The west (rear) elevation of the house has a small shed-roofed addition for utilities. The first floor has two single-sash windows.

The two bays of the original north elevation are marked by two-over-two sash windows. The north side of the rear addition is arranged asymmetrically with one two-over-two sash window on both the first and second floors.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

According to the present owner, the lumber required for the Faulkner house cost 500 dollars when built. The property currently includes a shed for a Delco electric generator which was set in place in 1920 by Tom Faulkner. This generator provided electric to other families in the town of Fairbank who would pay Mr. Faulkner a monthly usage fee. Mr. Faulkner also kept a large general store in the now vacant lot between his home and Black Walnut Cove.

The side hall, double pile plan and gable front facade of the Faulkner house marks it as a distinctive local house type. The Tom Faulkner house is one of three houses of this type in Fairbank.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle scale \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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Tom Faulkner House description continued.

The interior of the house has been reworked, but the original kitchen wainscoating remains underneath the modern materials. A masonic symbol for good luck is mounted on the frames of both doorways to the house.

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Tom Faulkner House  
Tilghman Island Quadrangle





TOM FARMER HOUSE

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NORTH-EAST ELEVATION

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